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**ARC**  
Catholic Community

September 17, 2017

# Welcome

*We Welcome You Wherever You Are On Your Journey*

## Gym Masses

**Presider:** *Fr. James Cassidy*

**Pre-Mass Speaker:** *Adrienne Diercks*, founder and director of Project Success, an organization that works with middle and high school students in Minneapolis, journeying with them as they dream and develop a plan for their future, will speak. We welcome Adrienne and wish her and all our SJA youth a great school year!

We welcome *Deb Harley* and *Grant Vague* who will each share a solo at our gym liturgies. Thank you both! We are grateful for the hope-filled songs you bring to our worship!

## Family Masses

Join us in the church at 9:45/11:45 am for our joyful, child-centered liturgy, as we read the Gospel through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching. Today, we come back together to learn the question of the year and bless our year together. After Mass, signup for the many volunteer roles through which our Family Mass community reaches out within our parish and into the world.



## Pastor's 2 Cents: From Fr. Jim DeBruycker

Today's Gospel always hits home to me because I find myself, on a lesser scale, doing exactly what the unforgiving forgiven servant did - damning people for the same mistakes I also make. Being a less-than-calm driver (no one in my family will drive with me), I frequently give people an inappropriate salute and then in my anger, pull the same stunt the other driver just did to me.

Have you ever told a store clerk about an error that works to your advantage but raged against the clerk's mistake when it goes against you? Of course not! What kind of a person would do that? We all love to project our fears and doubts on the other person. You know, "It must be them, it couldn't possibly be me."

Fear makes us do terrible things and we can get caught in the drama triangle where we are always the poor victim and everyone is out to get us. I am going to hate myself for saying this, but sometimes disasters can be of benefit. The incredible acts of heroism and altruism of people helping each other these past weeks are remarkable.

In these events there was no mythic, imaginary villain: the weather was real. The water and wind were real, and the danger was real. You couldn't brood about it. You needed to act or die - very clear options. I always kid people about why I liked hospital work - what you needed to do was quite obvious and you had to act immediately. Parish work can often be a lot of people grumbling about what should be done or should have been done. We don't celebrate enough that we have the luxury of the time to complain.

In my not-so-long-ago stay at the mental health facility, the difference between good stress actions, those that give you a sense of accomplishment and bad stress actions, those which promote frustration and heart attacks, were discussed. I think we all know the difference.

I recall a disaster which took place in downtown Minneapolis and the large number of victims arriving at the hospital all at the same time. The staff went into disaster mode and all the patients were in surgery, receiving medical care and/or united with loved ones within a couple of hours. A few weeks later, at the debriefing of the incident, the group leader asked if anyone had anything to say. "Yes," said a nurse, "I had a great time."

To an outsider, that nurse could be considered a little nuts, but we all knew what she meant; the stress and work was enormous but everyone was accomplishing things they had spent years training for - they did good and people lived. The disaster could have been a real disaster if circumstances had prevented the staff from accomplishing their goal.

So the question is - What are you really afraid of? What can you do to end that fear?

**Weekend Masses are Celebrated at:**  
**5 pm Saturday and 7:45 am Sunday in the Church**  
**9 am and 11 am Sunday in the Gym**

## Highlights This Week at SJA

FFI check the bulletin, the SJA website or call the Parish Center. The Upper Room is located in the Parish Center; Hospitality Hall, in the Church basement; the Arc, across 45th Street, 4457 3rd Ave.

### Monday, September 18

*Every Church a Peace Church*, 6:30 pm in Hospitality Hall

### Tuesday, September 19

8 am Mass in the Church

### Thursday, September 21

8 am Mass in the Church

Choir, 7 pm in the Church

### Sunday, September 24

*Blessing of the Animals*, 3 pm in the Memorial Garden

*Youth Ministry Orientation*, 5:30 pm check-in, school classrooms



### Scripture Readings:

Sun, Sept. 17: Sirach 27:30-28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matt 18:21-35

Mon, Sept. 18: 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10

Tue, Sept. 19: 1 Timothy 3:1-13; Luke 7:11-17

Wed, Sept. 20: 1 Timothy 3:14-16; Luke 7:31-35

Thu, Sept. 21: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13

Fri, Sept. 22: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Luke 8:1-3

Sat, Sept. 23: 1 Timothy 6:13-15; Luke 8:4-15

Sun, Sept. 24: Isaiah 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Matt 20:1-16a

## Looking Ahead...

### Sunday 9 and 11 am Gym Masses:

**September 24:** Presider: **Fr. DeBruycker**. We celebrate the Feast of St. Francis with a special telling of his story. Readers, HOB puppets and the SJA choir. Bring your furry and feathered friends to our blessing of the animals in the Memorial Garden that afternoon at 3 pm.

**October 1:** Presider: **Fr. DeBruycker**. Pre-mass Speaker: SJA parishioner and trustee **Ellen Velasco Thompson** will share thoughts on *Aging with Grace*.

**October 8:** Presider: **Fr. Cassidy**. Pre-mass Speaker: **JoAnn Campbell-Rice**, Spiritual Care Manager at Hazelden Foundation, will speak on Spirituality and Addiction. Thank you to our SJA Addiction Ministry for bringing JoAnn to us.

**October 15:** Presider: **Fr. DeBruycker**. Our Director of Adult Learning, **Cynthia Bailey Manns** will speak on Sacred Activism – a crucial call to us in this time.

**October 22:** Presider: **Fr. Cassidy**. Pre-Mass Speaker: MN Secretary of State **Steve Simon** will share his journey of service and inspire us in our work for human dignity and the common good.

**Gluten-free Communion** is available upon request. Please see any of the Sunday sacristans in the Gym before Mass.

**SignUpGenius for Eucharistic Ministers** is available online. It is simple, user friendly and a reminder is sent 3 days before your scheduled volunteer day. FFI contact Marcia at [mkurtz@stjoan.com](mailto:mkurtz@stjoan.com).

## Prayer Corner: Please remember in your prayers those who are in need of healing:

*Olivia Adams, Mary Albrechtsen, Dean Andrew, Herman Bailey, Jr., Dennis Barta, Phyllis Berninger, Elaine Boehm, Luke & Jack Boldt, Sally Bolster, Libby Bowyer, Steve Brabeck, Rose Brown, Bill Brazil, Lorraine Bryant, Pam Burd, Tom Burns, Chris C., George C., Joe Chouinard, Jack Cummings, Nick & Megan Daoust, Ted deLancey, Colleen Dooley, Eric, Kris Erickson, Nathan Freeman, John & Margaret Frees, Peter & Kathleen Giefer, Betty Goodman, Stephen Goodman, Heidi Gregorich, Tom Griep, Nicholas Hamel, Brent Harapat, Pippa Hempe, Helen Hinton, Jim Hinton, Ethan Hoeschen, Megan Hoffman, Lexi Holland, Mary Hoody, Emily Horner, Jan Horner, Kathy Horner, Neysa Housley, Kirk Ingram, Jen, Mario & family, Cecilia Jaisle, Dan & Tom Jay, Paul Jonsson, Judy Kablec, Lois Kalis, Jean Karol, Maria Karpinski, Donna Kelly, Glen Kelley, Kathy Kennedy, Lois Kolis, Teresa Kragenbring, Marianne Lafex, Amy Lainus, Iva Lang, Melva Larson, Rachel Larson, Darlene Lawson, Gary Lindstrom, Eileen Lund, Pat Lyon, Jim Lyons, Malia, Kyle M., Katherine Malaga, Anthony Marino, Harvey May, Dawn McClelland, Chuck Meiers, Clara Murrell, Nate, Neala, Randy Naae, Steve Nathe, Pat Nelson, Tim Nipper, Ricky Nolan, Craig Nordby, Ken Olsen, Charlie Olson, Dick Olson, Paul Olvera, Colette Ott, Pam, Judy P., Michelle P., Jan Pabst, Augie Peden, Joan Penrose, Bill Peterka, Dick Pirola, Jim Rapp, Doris Rausch, Rob Rivan, Scott Rivard, Donald & Susan Roufs, Dorothy Rowe, Stephen Royal, Helen Russett, Cindy Salyards, Conrad Sampair, Kay Samuelson, Ottavio Savina, Tayler Schimmel, Dana Sell, Joyce Shortino, Sam Slagerman, Jon Smith, Ted Sparman, Joan Speltz, Jeff Stearns, Becca Sweeney, Tony & Laura, Irene Taddiken, Anne Taylor, Matthew Tennant, Mary Eve Thomas, Echo Thoren, Carin Vagle, Leroy Vague, Marlys Weber, Bennett Wentworth, Don Whitlow, Ian Dakota Wiek, Dave Wilkie, Jim & Jerry Wohnoutka, Ann Woolsey, Annemaire & Ava Zubrzycki*

**Prayer Corner Requests:** To keep prayer requests current, names will be included in the bulletin for four weeks and then removed. To **add** a name or to **renew** your request, please call Nancy Becker at 612.823.8205 ext. 223.

**A Book of Prayer** is located in our Gym vestibule. If you have a family member or friend who is ill or who has recently died, please write their names in our Book of Prayer before Mass so we may include them in prayers during our Sunday Masses.

## Parish Life

**Choir:** There is still time to join this vibrant SJA music ministry! We rehearse every Thursday at 7 pm in the church. Come Sept. 14 as we prepare to sing for the Celebration of St. Francis on Sunday, Sept. 24. "Make a joyful noise!"


**Come Together** is an interfaith peace prayer gathering to remember victims of violence in our homes, streets, communities, cities, in our country and in our world. September's *Come Together*, with a Peace Walk and Peace Caroling, is **today** Sunday, Sept. 17, 4 - 6 pm, at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 285 Dale St N, St. Paul. [www.facebook.com/LCRStPaul/](http://www.facebook.com/LCRStPaul/) Make a difference and join us!

**Blessing of the Animals!** Come all you furry and feathered friends next Sunday, Sept. 24 at 4 pm to the Memorial Garden for a very special blessing in honor of the feast of St. Francis. Join our SJA Prayer Partners and Fr. Jim DeBruycker as we celebrate "All God's Critters!"



**Love Is Always the Answer:** What ministries are you called to this year? Registration for 2017-18 **Shared Ministry** has begun. Please renew or make new ministry electives as soon as possible. Registration is also available on-line at [www.stjoan.com](http://www.stjoan.com). Mail completed registrations to the Parish Center, or drop them in the vestibules' collection boxes or Mass collection baskets. Thank you for your service to St. Joan of Arc and our extended community!

**Cabaret!** It's back! SJA's big, spectacular weekend of the Twin Cities finest musical talent! Three nights, three different shows, three opportunities to support this fun fundraiser for the ministries of St. Joan of Arc. Don't miss it. Tickets are on sale today after gym masses. To purchase tickets during the week call Mark Abeln at 612.810.2912.

 **SJA Announces its 2017/18 Concert Series!** Tickets are on sale after Sunday masses and at [www.stjoan.com](http://www.stjoan.com).

**Ann Reed CD Release Concert, Sunday, November 12, 7 pm:** A night of songs from Ann's first CD in four years, Winter Springs, Summer Falls; with multi-instrumentalist Joan Griffith, pianist Laura Caviani and more.

**O Christmas Three, Sunday, December 17, 7 pm:** George Maurer, Tommy Barbarella and Dan Chouinard: three SJA bandleaders back together again by popular demand for a Holiday concert with guests Maria Jette, Julius Collins, Leslie Vincent, Jeff Engholm, Julie Bella, members of the Chouinard family and more.

**Watch That Star - 2018 MLK Concert, Sunday, January 14, 7 pm:** Bruce Henry leads a spellbinding journey through 400 years of African-American protest songs, with an all-star band, singers Tonia Hughes, Robert Robinson, Mari Harris and PaviElla, dancer Kenna-Camara Cottman, the SJA choir and more.

**Urban Farmer's Almanac, Sunday, April 29, 7 pm:** Through music, comedy and conversation, Dan Chouinard and guests celebrate the bountiful city and explore ways of leading a greener urban life. With author and Star Tribune writer Beth Dooley, Ruhel Islam of Gandhi Mahal Restaurant and Urban Farm, lots of musicians, storytellers and more.

**Virtus Instructor-led Training Required:** Volunteers who have regular or unsupervised interaction with youth or vulnerable adults are required to complete one Instructor-led Training, which is offered at a variety of metro locations! To register, login to your existing Virtus account or create an account at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). If you've forgotten your login information, follow the prompt, "need login information?" Please do not create a duplicate account which will not include your archived records of previous credentialing activity. FFI contact your SJA staff supervisor.

**Adoption Book Club:** Join us to talk about teens! We'll meet on Sept. 23, 10 am at Turtle Bread (4762 Chicago Avenue, Mpls) to discuss the book *Parenting in the Eye of the Storm: The Adoptive Parent's Guide to Navigating the Teen Years*, by Katie Naftzger. Hope to see you there!

**New to SJA? Meet a Mentor Family!** Do you love SJA but find it hard to connect with other parish families? Would you like to be part of the many exciting SJA ministries, but don't know how to get started? Sign up with a mentor family! Your mentor family will join you for coffee and cookies after a Family Mass to share with you the ways their family found a home at SJA. FFI contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).

**First Sacraments - Save the Dates:** Registration Meetings for parents and their children preparing for First Sacraments:

- First Reconciliation Registration Meeting, Sunday Nov. 5 at 12:30 pm in the Gym
- First Communion Registration Meeting, Sunday March 11 at 12:30 pm in the Gym

Please check the website, [www.stjoan.com](http://www.stjoan.com), under the Sacraments tab for details. FFI contact Marie Bissonnette.

**Hurricane Harvey Relief Collection Results:** As a result of last weekend's special second collection to provide emergency support to those impacted by Hurricane Harvey, SJA is sending \$12,100 to the Archdiocesan Center for Mission. The Center for Mission will forward the funds to the Catholic Charities, USA. Thank you, St. Joan of Arc Community, for your generous spirit!



Summary of contributions for the week and fiscal year. Includes plate, envelopes and estimated Sustaining Member payments.

**Week of September 10, 2017**

Actual \$33,033 Budget \$36,827  
Prior Year Actual \$36,852

**YTD (July 1 – September, 2017)**

Actual \$352,771 Budget \$358,396  
Prior Year Actual \$355,065

**Thank You For Your Continued Support!**

## Pastoral Ministries

**FFI on Pastoral Ministries** contact Mary Ann Kelly-Wright at 612.823.8205 ext 231 or via email: [mkelly@stjoan.com](mailto:mkelly@stjoan.com).

**Mental Health Ministry:** Monday, Oct. 9 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4100 Lyndale. Come for a discussion on the questions, *What does living the good life look like today? What does it mean to be valued by society? What is success in today's world?* Light supper 5:45 pm; program 6:30 - 8 pm. CEU certificate for 1.8 hours available to professionals and students. Free will offering accepted. All are welcome. FFI contact Mary Ann at the Parish Center.

**Did You Know?** September is National Suicide Prevention and Awareness month. "The truth is, we can all benefit from honest conversations about mental health conditions and suicide because just one conversation can change a life." - from NAMI website. Go to NAMI Minnesota, [www.namihelps.org](http://www.namihelps.org) for additional information and resources.



**The Parish Visitor Ministry** offers confidential listening, prayer, communion and support in times of life challenges or transitions, through phone calls and visits. This quiet support is available to parishioners who cannot join us for worship or would like an additional long or short term parish connection in the home, hospital, rehab or care center. FFI contact Carolyn Dobis, 651.485.2868 or Mary Ann at the Parish Center.

**TRUST, Inc., Grief Support Series:** The Fall grief support series begins Thursday, Sept. 28 with the presentation, *An Overview of Grief* by professional grief counselor, Brenda DeMotte. Host site is Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, 5426 12th Av. S., Mpls. Registration at 6:15 pm; speaker presentation 6:30 - 7 pm; facilitated small groups 7 - 8 pm. Schedules are available in the Parish Center and on the church and school hallway bulletin boards. FFI contact Norine Larson, 952.925.2437.

## Peace and Justice

**FFI on Peace & Justice** programs contact Julie Madden at 612.823.8205 ext 228 or [jmadden@stjoan.com](mailto:jmadden@stjoan.com).

**Minneapolis Mayoral Candidate Forum on Ending Homelessness:** Tuesday, Sept. 26, 7 pm at First Universalist Church (34th & Dupont, Mpls). Co-sponsored by SJA and organized by the League of Women Voters, this forum will ask candidates to express their views on effective strategies to end homelessness in our community. Please join us for this important discussion.

**WAMM Silent Auction:** Women Against Military Madness is a Sustaining Partner organization of our SJA Outreach Fund, and our own SJA WAMM/Peacemakers continue to call us to a future of nonviolence. WAMM's annual silent auction will be in the gym on Sunday, Oct. 8 at 5 pm. A great evening celebrating the work and witness of this powerful organization.



### Sister Parish:

- **Solidarity Walk: Today** after the 11:00 mass, our Sister Parish committee will lead a walk around SJA with several stops for reflection and prayer to lift up our 23 year relationship with our Sister Parish in Tierra Nueva Dos in Guatemala (who will host a walk as well). We invite you to join us on our walk, and to sign our "we walk in solidarity" banner after both masses. This will be a beautiful time of mindfulness and prayer!
- **Come and Learn More:** We are planning delegations both to and from our Sister Parish in Guatemala in the next year, and you are warmly invited to consider participating in both! Join us Oct. 1, after the 11:00 mass in the Parish Center to learn more and meet our wonderful committee.

**Marie Braun to Speak at SJA on Banning Nuclear Weapons:** Now Is the Time! Tomorrow, Monday, Sept. 18 at 6:30 pm in Hospitality Hall, join the network of faith communities known as Every Church a Peace Church for potluck and a presentation by our own Marie Braun, longtime prophetic voice and leader for peace and Christian nonviolence. Marie's talk will be brief and will be followed by a discussion on what faith communities can do to support the recent Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. Please join us for this crucial discussion.

**Fr. Bryan Massingale at St. Catherine University This Week:** This Wednesday, Sept. 20, Fordham University theologian, racial justice scholar and prophetic national leader Fr. Bryan Massingale will lead us in a community conversation on dismantling systemic racism. This event will be at 6:30 pm in the Rauenhorst Ballroom and currently more than 900 people are registered - you have to be there! Register at <http://bit.ly/2tTWlbr>. Cosponsored by St. Joan of Arc's Antiracism core team.

**Warm Hands Warm Hearts Starts Next Week!** Next weekend, SJA volunteers begin our wonderful annual project to collect 500 new coats and accessories for children in need. Stop by tables at several locations on our campus to pick up a card with information to purchase a coat. We thank all the volunteers and donors who make such a difference in our community and in the lives of so many children and families. See you next week!



**Welcome the Stranger Upcoming Events:** This ministry focuses on our welcome of immigrants, asylees and refugees in our community.

- **Reception for Jim Marx:** Following the 11 am mass on Sunday, Oct. 8, join us in the Parish Center Upper Room to meet Jim and hear his compelling stories of serving people crossing the desert into the U.S. on our southern border.
- **An American House Film Screening:** On Monday, Oct. 9, join us for the screening of this documentary at 7 pm in the church. It is the incredible story of Annunciation House, which ministers to people crossing the U.S./Mexico border in search of a better life.
- **Join Welcome the Stranger!** On Sunday, Oct. 15, following the 11 am mass, learn more about our work and enjoy hospitality in the Parish Center with current members of this group. We are planning an upcoming delegation to the U.S./Mexico border and many other activities as well.

# Faith Formation and Adult Learning

*We form the faith of our community through participation in prayer, liturgy, sacraments, education, community and works of justice.*

**SJA Children's Choir:** All children in grades 3 - 7 are invited to join our Children's Choir directed by Seth Boyd. The choir will have three exciting holiday performances: A St Nicholas play (Dec. 3, Family Masses), A Christmas story (Dec. 17, Family Masses) and the 4 pm Christmas Eve Gym Mass. We start off with a rehearsal camp on Oct. 28, 11 am - 4 pm: fun, music & pizza! Other rehearsals are Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26 & Dec. 10. Children can do both the Children's Choir and the Christmas Musical. To sign up, contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).

**Feed My Starving Children:** On Oct. 14, 2 - 4 pm, join other SJA families at the Eagan site to pack food for children in need around the globe. To sign up, contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).

**Help Children Stay in School!** SJA is once again partnering with Common Hope ([www.commonhope.org](http://www.commonhope.org)) to collect donations of school supplies for children in Guatemala. We will be collecting supplies each Sunday in October in the bin outside the church. Please bring in only new, targeted supplies. For a list of supplies, please contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).

**Nursery:** FFI contact Michelle Dehn, Nursery Director at [mdehn@stjoan.com](mailto:mdehn@stjoan.com) or 612.823.8205 ext. 240.

**Our Nursery**, located in the lower level of the Parish Center, is open for the 9 & 11 am Sunday Masses. The Nursery is a wonderful community of families and volunteers that allows parents to enjoy Mass and meet other families in the Parish. Drop-ins are always welcome.



**Pre-school:** (Ages 4-Kindergarten) FFI contact the Parish Center at 612.823.8205.

**Pre/K Classes Begin Today!**

**Grade School:** (Grades 1-6) FFI contact Marie Bissonnette at 612.823.8205 ext. 229 or [mbissonnette@stjoan.com](mailto:mbissonnette@stjoan.com).

**Faith Formation Classes Begin Today!** Questions? Check with Marie in the Parish Center, or Becky in the school hallway.

**Youth Ministry:** (Grades 7-12) FFI contact Rose Aspholm at 612.823.8205 ext. 241 or [raspholm@stjoan.com](mailto:raspholm@stjoan.com).

**Youth Ministry Orientation Night:** Sunday, Sept. 24, 5:30 - 8 pm. Welcome back Youth Ministry Families grades 7th - 12th! Come get materials for the year, learn about Micah Service Sunday opportunities, participate in CLUB, and meet your Small Group leaders! Check-in will be in the classrooms between the church and gym. We are looking forward to a great year! See you there! FFI contact Rose at [raspholm@stjoan.com](mailto:raspholm@stjoan.com).

**Adult Learning:** FFI contact Cynthia Bailey Manns at 612.823.8205 ext. 226 or [cmanns@stjoan.com](mailto:cmanns@stjoan.com).

## **Put Your Oxygen Mask on First: Self-Care in Troubling Times:**

Join the Women of SJA for a spiritual self-care event exploring how we, as women of faith, pray, communicate, and live with controversy. Cynthia Bailey Manns, D. Min., and Director of Adult Learning at SJA, will guide us through individual and small group reflections as we share our fears, hopes, and ways to be accepting of one another. Join us as we share wisdom, laughter, and resources on Saturday, Oct. 7 in Hospitality Hall. Registration and Coffee, 8:45 - 9:15 am; Program, 9:15 - 11:30 am. RSVP to the Parish Center by Oct. 4. Suggested \$5 Free Will Offering.

## **Save the Date: Women's Spirituality - Grace Within.**



Please join us to understand how you can grow spiritually, seek and know your inner spark of divinity, and become who God created you to be. Thursday nights: 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/30, 12/14, and 1/11, 7 - 9 pm in the Parish Center. The cost is \$16 per book. 15 participant limit - RSVP to the Parish Center or contact Cynthia Bailey Manns.

**Parish Book Club:** Parish Book Club meets on the 2nd Wednesday of a month at 6:30 pm to discuss our experiences with great stories. Everyone is welcome anytime! Here's what to read next:

- October 11: *The Little Red Chairs* by Edna O'Brien

## **Addiction Resources - Awareness, Education and Support:**

Please join us for a Kick-off Gathering on Oct. 14, 9 - 11:30 am in Hospitality Hall. RSVP to the Parish Center.

**Life Reimagined** provides guidance on how to understand where you are currently in your life and to think about what's next. Oct. 18, 6 - 9 pm in the Upper Room. RSVP to the Parish Center. 15 maximum participants.



**Legacy Writing:** *Your Story, Your Gift*, Oct. 7, 9 am - 1 pm; Oct. 21, 9 - 1:30 am; Nov. 4 & Nov. 18, 9 - 11:30 am in the Upper Room. RSVP to the Parish Center. 15 maximum participants.

**Save the Date:** Oct. 21, 9 am - Noon in Hospitality Hall. Sacred Conversations Series - Pope Francis calls us to "extend an invitation to work for a culture of encounters," and we can do so by creating space for dialogue and discernment by "going in search of other people, other cultures, other ways of thinking...coming out of ourselves because there is room in the heart for the person's point of view, opinion." Join us to learn foundational skills of "civility" and a process of "holy listening" that can be used in our encounters with others. Watch the bulletin for more details.



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